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THE MICHIGAN CENTENNIAL

P/ The most notable of the various centenary celebrations of local and state dental societies is that of the Michigan State Dental Association, the earliest founded (Jan. 9, 1856) of the state organizations in continuous existence to the present. The January, 1956 issue of the Journal of the Michigan State Dental Association features several historical articles: an editorial announcing the events in the centenary celebration, an article on "History of Dental Hygienists in Michigan" by Dorothy Hard (38:5-15), "Historical Sketch - Detroit Dental Aid Commission" (38:16). The February number will be designated the Centennial Issue.

PRE-CEPHALOMETRIC STUDIES OF GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

P/ Research on growth and development of the stomatognathic system (to about 1930) from the points of view of histology, anthropology, and animal experimentation is summarized historically by Allen C. Brader ("Historical Review of Research Findings of Growth and Development Prior to the Introduction of Roentgenographic Cephalometry") in Angle Orthodontist 26: 1-9 Jan. 1956.

EARLIEST DENTAL SCHOOLS IN LATIN AMERICA

P/ César Mena Serra has contributed an article entitled "Las Primeras Escuelas Dentales de América-Latina" in Resumenes de la Facultad de Odontologia (University of Havana) Nov. 1955, No. 4, p. 25-30.

CORRECTIONS

P/ A reference to the toothbrush in Cornelius van Solingen's Handgriffe der Wundartzney (1676) appeared in the Bulletin for November, 1955. Curt Proskauer calls attention to the fact that van Solingen's mention (edition 1693) concerns a brush with the bristles in line with the shaft of the instrument used by the dentist for the application of nitric acid or other strong chemicals for the purpose of cleaning the teeth. This instrument does not qualify as a tooth brush, since it is used only by the dentist and is not constructed with the bristles at a right angle to the handle.

P/ J. Menzies Campbell calls attention to the reference under Ruspini in the name directory of B. W. Weinberger's Introduction, vol. 1. The mention, on p. 230, to "The renowned Chevalier," Campbell points out, refers to the Chevalier John Taylor, "a roving mountebank, who had been oculist to George II," and not to Ruspini.

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P/ Columbia University Press, New York, announces the publication of The Presbyterian Hospital and the Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center, 1868-1943: a History of a Great Medical Adventure by Albert R. Lamb. (xx+495 p., $8.95)

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P/ The anonymous sketch, "A Brief History of the College of Physicians and Surgeons 1896-1955" begun in Contact Point 34:51-52 Nov. 1955 is concluded with part 2 34:123-127 Jan. 1956.

P/ George Fellows Harrington, J. P., D. D. S., 1812-1895, is the subject of a biographical sketch by J. Menzies Campbell in The Dental Magazine and Oral Topics, Dec. 1955.

QUARTER OF A CENTURY FOR THE KELLOGG FOUNDATION

P/ The Kellogg Foundation has issued a two volume set of books consisting of a biography of W. K. Kellogg by Horace B. Powell and an account of the Foundation entitled The First Twenty-five Years (1955). References to dentistry and the work of the Foundation in that field occur throughout the latter volume. Brief special sections deal with "Preparation of Dental Teachers," "Canadian Dental Schools Survey and Consultation Program," "Regional Planning for Dental Education," "Graduate and Postgraduate Dental Education," and "Education of Dental Hygienists."

CORNELIO, ITALIAN DENTIST OF EARLY NINETEENTH CENTURY

P/ Vittorio Cornelio, styled Cavaliere Incognito (the disguised knight) was one of the most prominent dentists of the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. He is the subject of an article by L. Casotti entitled "Vittorio Cornelio, Dentista Pioniere del Primo Ottocento (sic) Torinese" (Minerva Stomatologica 4:364-366 Nov.-Dec. 1955).

SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS OF KANSAS CITY SCHOOL

P/ The Diamond Jubilee of the University of Kansas City School of Dentistry (1881-1956) is featured in the February, 1956 number of the Journal of that institution with illustrations. The dean, Roy James Rinehart, named "Man of the Year" by the alumni association, is honored in a biographical sketch with pictures pertinent to his career.